



Rosemary Askew

February 13, 2011

Rosemary T. Askew, 78, of Cape Girardeau, MO, died Sunday, February 13, 2011 at Chateau Girardeau Health Center where she was staying after a short, but intense, battle with brain cancer. She was born May 18, 1932 on the family farm near Portageville, MO to Francis and Lena Brasher Toton. She and Kenneth Askew were married July 10, 1949 at Piggott, Arkansas. Many years ago, Rosemary worked at Davis Electric and then at Lowenbaum dress factory. Later she was a department manager at Montgomery Wards for several years. She had an in-home daycare for many years, where she was lovingly known as "Nanny". She was an active member of Bethany Baptist Church. She and her husband enjoyed gardening. Rosemary was an avid walker. Survivors include: Husband - Kenneth Askew, Cape Girardeau, MO Son - Kenneth Askew, Jr. and wife, Connie, Eden Prairie, MN Daughter - Debbie Harris and husband, Pete, Cape Girardeau, MO Four grandchildren- Stephanie [Pat] Siebert, Ft. Riley, KS Brian Harris, Seattle, WA Colin Askew, Eden Prairie, MN Gretchen Askew, Eden Prairie, MN One great-grandchild- Jacob Siebert, Fort Riley, KS Brothers-Wayne Toton, Scott City, MO and Harry [Barb] Toton, Portageville, MO Numerous sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, 3 brothers and 2 sisters. Visitation will be from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Friday, February 18, 2011 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau. Funeral will be at 10:00 AM Saturday, February 19, 2011 at the funeral home with the Dr. Shawn Wasson and Rev. Donny Ford officiating. Entombment will follow at Cape

County Memorial Park Mausoleum in Cape Girardeau. Memorial contributions may be given to Bethany Baptist Church or to the American Cancer Society. Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“*Rosemary always struck me as a kind, loving and solid lady who loved her family and others. She was a good model. Sorry for the loss but God has uses for her in heaven.*”

Arvin and Gwen Napier - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“*Debbie, Pete, and Family, You have our deepest sympathy. Nanny Askew gave our first child a great start on life. She was a very caring and compassionate person. We are so sorry, was not aware she was having any problems. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love Dave and Sue Wallis*”

David and Susan Wallis - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“*Rosemary and her brother, Wayne, were high school classmates of mine. Regretably, she and I have not been in touch since graduation from Wardell. I fondly remember her as a friendly, happy and generous person who always wore a smile and was much appreciated by everyone. I read the chapel note and was pleased, and not surprised, to see her endearing nickname (nanny) and references to benevolent activities. I would have expected she would become active in service to others. My prayers and deepest sympathy to her family and all who feel a great loss of a dear person.*”

Dr. Don D. Duke, M.D. - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Askew family, So sorry for your loss. Rosemary was a gentle, kind woman. We used to be neighbors on Randol Ave. and our kids called her "the rabbit" lady, cause she kept rabbits. She even gave our daughter, Tammy, one. Our prayers are with you all. God bless you!

Dan/Mary Seyer - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM